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E.O. 11652: GDS

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SUBJECT:VIETNAMESE REFUGEES ON TAIWAN

REF: TAIPEI 3666

1. WE ARE WORKING ON URGENT BASIS TO ARRANGE CHARTER FLIGHTS FROM KAOHSIUNG TO GUAM. WE FRANKLY FIND GROC ATTITUDE AS DESCRIBED IN REFTEL TO BE UNREASONABLE GIVEN THE FACT THAT SOLELY FOR HUMANITARIAN REASONS WE HAVE MADE AN EXCEPTION TO OUR OWN POLICY AND ACCEPTED REFUGEES ON FOREIGN FLAG VESSELS WHO WERE BEING IGNORED BY THE GROC.

2. WHILE IT IS TO THE GROC'S CREDIT THAT THEY HAVE TAKEN IN 1400 OF THEIR OWN NATIONLS, WE DO NOT BELIEVE IT IS NOW BEING COOPERATIVE BY THREATENING COMPLICATIONS AT A MOMENT WHEN WE HAVE A FULLY COMMITTED PIPELINE WITH 100,000 REFUGEES STRETCHING FROM PENNSYLVANIA TO THAILAND.

3. ACTION REQUESTED: PLEASE INFORM THE GROC THAT WE ARE ATTEMPTING TO MOVE THE 290 REFUGEES CITED BEFORE JUNE 30 BUT IN THE EVENT WE ARE UNABLE TO DO SO, WE WOULD HOPE IT
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COULD AVOID THE BREAK-UP OF FAMILIES BECAUSE OF THE NEED

FOR A TRAINING CENTER. KISSINGER

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